DISTRICT REPORT.

8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season, tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, area affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

11. Public Health.

12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage of fodder, etc.

BANGALORE CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION.

Average for the past five years of the corresponding week.—

Prices of food grains.—Boiled rice, (2nd sort)... } Report not received } Seers per rupee.
Ragi ... } } 13

BANGALORE CITY AND TALUKS.

8. Markets are well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Nil.

Seeds sown.—Potatoes in Devanhalli Taluk.

Standing crops.—Sugar-cane in Hoskote, Kankanhalli, and Anekal Taluks; Kulthi and pulses in Kankanhalli and Anekal Taluks; Mulberry in Hoskote and Devanhalli Taluks; and paddy, ragi and harka in Kankanhalli Taluk are reported to be fair.

Crops harvested.—Ragi in all the taluks and groundnuts in Dodballapur Taluk. Estimated yield of ragi 6 to 8 annas in Bangalore Taluk; 1 to 6 annas in Hoskote Taluk; 2 to 8 annas in Kankanhalli and Anekal Taluks and 4 annas in Nelamangala Taluks and Closepet Sub-Taluk.

Damages to crops.—It is reported that the castor crop is damaged by insects in some parts of the Kankanhalli Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season are moderate. There was no rain in the district during the week except 5 cents in Channapatna Taluk. Rain is urgently required for the standing crops. It is reported that the standing crops are fading for want of rain in Bangalore, Hoskote, Dodballapur, Nelamangala, Channapatna, Magadi, Anekal, Devanhalli Taluks and Closepet Sub-Taluk. Food stuffs are available. Cooly classes find sufficient labour. With a view to give employment to the cooly classes in the Sasalu hobli, Dodballapur Taluk, where there is a certain amount of scarcity, a few works have been started.

11. Public health is generally good, except for plague in parts of Bangalore, Hoskote, Dodballapur, Nelamangala, Kankanhalli, Magadi, Anekal and Devanhalli Taluks. Ordinary fever is reported from Bangalore and Hoskote Taluks and small-pox is reported from Kankanhalli Taluk.

12. Cattle are healthy except for foot and mouth disease in Kankanhalli Taluk, which had been reported to the Veterinary Inspector to do the needful. Water and fodder are available. It is reported that scarcity of water and fodder is reported in Hoskote and Magadi Taluks.

KOLAR.

8. Well supplied.

9. *Seeds sown.*—Nil.

Crops harvested and their outturn.—Ragi in all parts of the district; yield 2 to 8 annas.

Standing crops.—All the standing crops are reported to be withering for want of rain.

10. Prospects of the season fair.

Prices of food grains.—The price of food grains remains unchanged as in the previous week.

Labour sufficient for cooly classes at present.

11. Public health is generally good, except for plague in parts of the Kolar, Chintamani Sidlaghatta, Chikballapur and Goribidnur Taluks; relapsing fevers in parts of the Mulbagal, Bagepalli and Goribidnur Taluks and small-pox in parts of the Kolar and Bagepalli Taluks.

12. Cattle healthy. Drinking water is available at present with some difficulty. Pasture scarce. Fodder is available just for the present. Free grazing is allowed in the State Forests. Arrangements have been made to open fodder depots.

TUMKUR.

8. All the markets are fairly well supplied, except Pavagada and Maddagiri where the supplies are reported to be inadequate.

9. *Crops sown.*—Kadale in parts of Tumkur and Chiknayakanhalli Taluks and Turuvekere Sub-Taluk and jola in parts of Chiknaykanahalli Taluk and Koratagere and Turuvekere Sub-Taluks.

Crops harvested.—Paddy in parts of Tumkur and Sira Taluks; ragi in parts of Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Sira, Gubbi, Tiptur and Kunigal Taluks and Koratagere and Turuvekere Sub-Taluks; sugar-cane in parts of Tiptur Taluk and Turuvekere Sub-Taluk, yield 8 to 12 annas; groundnut in parts of Tumkur and Pavagada Taluks and Koratagere Sub-Taluk.

Standing crops.—Sugar-cane, paddy, ragi, avare, togari, kulthi, castor and haraka are reported to be withering for want of rainfall all over the district, except sugar-cane and paddy which are dependent on the supply of tanks or wells.

10. *Prospects of the season.*—Not good. Rains are wanted urgently.

11. *Public health.*—Plague prevails in parts of Tumkur, Chiknayakanhalli, Tiptur and Kunigal Taluks and Turuvekere Sub-Taluk and dysentery in parts of Koratagere Sub-Taluk.

Precautionary measures are being taken to arrest the spread of the diseases.

12. Cattle are reported to be healthy throughout the district. Except Goravanahalli, in the Koratagere Sub-Taluk, where the cattle disease is prevailing. The details of the disease are called for. Except Turuvekere Sub-Taluk, where fodder is reported to be available for the present, the difficulty exists in the remaining taluks, much more in parts of Maddagiri and Pavagada Taluks. The State Forests have been thrown open for free grazing of cattle and a Fodder Depot has been opened at Kodigenahalli in the Maddagiri Taluk. The difficulty for water is felt in almost all the places of the district, much more in parts of Pavagada and Maddagiri Taluks. Sinking of drinking water wells are being arranged throughout.

MYSORE.

8. Well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Are going on in parts of T.-Narsipur Taluk.

Standing crops are.—Paddy, sugar-cane, horse gram, ragi, avare, togari, castor, kadale, ramtil, navane, haraka, same, cotton, mulberry, tadaguni, wheat, ground-nut, coriander, chillis, black and green grams, and they are reported to be generally in good condition, except in parts of Mysore, Chamarajnagar, Nanjangud, Malvalli, Mandya and Krishnarajpete Taluks, where they are reported to be withering for want of rain. Dry crops in parts of Yedatore Taluk are reported to be in need of rain.

Crops sown.—Coriander, kadale and menthya in parts of Krishnarajpete Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Paddy in parts of Seringapatam, Yadatore and Krishnarjapete Taluks, (8 to 12 annas); ragi in parts of Seringapatam, Hunsur, Yedatore (8 annas), Malvalli and Mandya (3 to 8 annas); Krishnarajpete, (4 to (8 annas) and Nagamangala (2 to 6 annas); horse gram in parts of Chamarajnagar, Hunsur, Yedatore (8 annas) and Nanjangud Taluks; chillies in parts of Hunsur, Yedatore (8 annas); Gundlupet (4 annas); ramtil in parts of Yedatore (8 annas); castor in parts of Gundlupet (4 annas); togari in parts of Nanjangud; groundnuts in parts of Nanjangud and Malvalli Taluks and haraka in parts of Malvalli Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season are fair, but rain is wanted throughout the district.

11. Public health is generally good except for influenza in parts of Hunsur and small-pox in parts of Yedatore; plague is reported to be prevalent in parts of all the taluks, except in parts of Heggeddevankote, Mandya and Nagamangala Taluks.

12. Cattle are reported to be generally healthy except for Doddaroga in parts of Mysore Taluk and Chapperoga in parts of Malavalli Taluk.

Water and fodder are generally available in all the taluks but some scarcity for water is being felt in parts of Nagamangala, Mandya, Seringapatam and Nanjangud and scarcity for fodder in parts of Nagamangala.

HASSAN.

8. Markets are well supplied.

9. (1) *Agricultural operations.*—Kar paddy is being sown in the Hassan Taluk.

(2) *Condition of standing crops.*—Paddy in the Manjarabad Taluk; paddy and sugar-cane in the Belur and Channarayapatna Taluks and all the standing crops in the Alur Sub-Taluk are reported to be in fairly good condition but it is reported that gram and togari in the Hassan Taluk and kulthi, thurar and ballar in the Belur Taluk require rain and that avare, jolam, togari, sugar-cane and paddy in the Arsikere Taluk and avare, togari, horse gram, gingelly and other dry crops in the Arkalgud Taluk are withering for want of rains. The condition of dry crops in the Channarayapatna Taluk also is reported to be not satisfactory.

(3) *Crops harvested and their outturn.*—Paddy in the Hassan, Manjarabad, Belur and Arkalgud Taluks and in the Alur Sub-Taluk; sugar-cane in the Belur Taluk and Alur Sub-Taluk and ragi in the Arsikere, Channarayapatna and Arkalgud Taluks are being harvested. Coffee picking has also been commenced in the Manjarabad Taluk. The average yield of paddy ranges from 8 to 12 annas, ragi 4 to 8 annas and sugar-cane from 8 to 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season are reported to be good except in the Channarayapatna and Arsikere Taluks, where rain is required for all the standing crops. The stock of food grains is reported to be scanty in the Arsikere Taluk. The price of food grains is high as usual.

11. Public health is generally good but for plague in parts of Belur and Arkalgud Taluks and Alur Sub-Taluk and Malariya in parts of Arsikere Taluk, cold and fever in parts of Belur Taluk.

12. Cattle are healthy.

Water and fodder are available in all the taluks except in parts of Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks. Cattle from these taluks are reported to have been taken to Malnad for grazing. Twelve tank beds in the Channarayapatna Taluk and six in the Arsikere Taluk have been granted for temporary cultivation.

SHIMOGA.

8. Markets are well supplied.

9. *Ploughing operations.*—Ploughing operations are growing in the Shikarpur Taluk.

Seeds sown.—Nil.

State of standing crops.—Paddy and sugar-cane in all the taluks and Sub-Taluk; ragi in all the taluks except Nagar and Tirthahalli; horse gram in the taluks of Shimoga, Channagiri, Honnali, Shikarpur and Sorab and Kumsi Sub-Taluk; jola, avare, togari and cotton in the taluks of Channagiri and Honnali; castor in the taluks of Shikarpur and Sorab; chilly plants in the taluks of Channagiri, Honnali, Shikarpur and Sorab; pundi, black gram and til in the Channagiri Taluk and areca in the taluks of Sorab, Sagar, Nagar and Tirthahalli are reported to be in fairly good condition. The Amildar of Honnali reports that there were slight showers in parts of Belagutte hobli and a few more showers would facilitate the sowing of *hingar* crops such as Bengal gram and wheat.

Crops harvested.—Paddy in all the taluks and sub-taluk; ragi in Channagiri and Kumsi Sub-Taluk; jola in Channagiri and Honnali; black gram, til and pundi in the Channagiri Taluk; cotton and horse gram in the Honnali Taluk and areca in the taluks of Sorab, Sagar, Nagar and Tirthahalli is being harvested.

10. The prospects of the season are fair. The dry crops are said to be withering in the taluks of Shimoga, Channagiri and Honnali for want of rain. The Amildar of Honnali reports that a few villagers from his taluk have gone to Malnad tracts to fetch grass to suppliment their existing stock of fodder to provide themselves against contingencies.

11. There is plague in Shimoga town and in Channagiri town and in parts of Ubrani hobli in the Channagiri Taluk in Belagutte, Kenchikoppa, Kudarekonda and Govinakovi in the Honnali Taluk in Kaginahalli, Siralkoppa and Shikarpur town in the Shikarpur Taluk in Tirthahalli town and in Mandighatta and Pugatekoppa in the Kumsi Sub-Taluk. Ordinary fever is still said to be prevalent in parts of Shimoga Taluk and Malaria in Sorab Taluk.

12. Except for some kind of new disease which is being diagnosed by the Veterinary Inspector in Kuppagadde village in the Sorab Taluk, cattle are reported to be healthy. Fodder and water are available.

KADUR.

8. Well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Nil.

Crops sown.—Chikmagalur—Paddy, sugar-cane, menthya, garlic and coriander Kadur—Sugar-cane, paddy, avare, kulthi and togari. Tarikere—sugar-cane paddy, kulthi, avare, wheat and cotton. Koppa—Paddy.

Standing crops.—Chikmagalur—Paddy, sugar-cane and horse gram. Tarikere—Paddy, sugar-cane, horse gram and avare. Kadur—Paddy, sugar-cane, avare, togari and horse gram. Mudgere—Sugar-cane and paddy. Narasimharajapura—Sugar-cane. Koppa—Areca, sugar-cane, paddy and cardamom. Sringeri—Areca, sugar-cane and paddy.

The standing crops chiefly wet and garden are reported to be in fairly good condition.

Crops harvested.—Chikmagalur—Paddy, yield 8 annas. Kadur—Ragi, yield 4 to 6 annas. Tarikere—Paddy, yield 4 to 8 annas. Koppa—Paddy, 8 annas, areca, 8 annas and cardamom, 8 annas. Mudgere—Paddy, coffee, cardamom and ragi. Narasimharajapura—Paddy, areca and coffee, 8 annas. Sringeri—Areca and paddy, yield 8 annas.

N.B.—Particulars regarding coffee not given. Will be furnished in the next return.

10. Prospects of the season are fair. Food grains are available for the present but their prices are rising. Want of rain has badly affected the standing crops especially dry crops in parts of the Chikmagalur, Kadur and Tarikere Taluks.

11. Public health is generally good. Plague prevails in parts of Chikmagalur and Kadur Taluks.

12. Cattle are generally healthy. Water and fodder are available at present. Dodda-roga prevails in Koppa town but it is reported to be subsiding in Narasimharajapura Sub-Taluk.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Markets were well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Cotton, kulthi, wheat, kadle, avare, castor, ragi, navane, togari, chilly and tobacco and they are reported to be withering for want of rain.

Seeds sown.—Kadle and jola in Challakere Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Chitaldrug—jola, ragi and navane, yield 4 to 6 annas; Challakere—paddy and ragi, yield 8 annas; groundnut, kulti, castor and cotton, yield 2 to 4 annas; Molakalmuru—paddy and ragi, yield 6 annas; Davangere—cotton, jola ragi and navane, yield 6 annas; Harihar—cotton and kulti, yield 4 annas.

10. Prospects of the season are not bad. Standing dry crops are reported to be in urgent need of rain. Foodstuffs are available. Prices have risen. Cooly classes are finding agricultural labour.

11. Public health is generally good but for plague in parts of Harihar, Davangere and Jagalur Taluks.

12. Cattle are reported to be generally healthy. Water and fodder are available. In parts of Challakere, Hiriyur, Molakalmuru and Hosdurga Taluks, fodder is reported to be getting scarce. Date leaves in parts of Hosdurg Taluk and kamara leaves in parts of Hiriyur and Molakalmuru Taluks are being used as fodder. State Forests have also been thrown open for grazing purposes.

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For *Rev. Commissioner (absent from the station).*